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APPLICANT(S): H. Endou, et al.

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FOR: NEUTRAL AMINO ACID TRANSPORTER AND GENE THEREOF

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated August 29, 2005 and request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following claim amendments, remarks and elections.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.